

Fisheries Information System National Meeting Agenda
Alaska Fisheries Science Center
Seattle, WA
August 16 – 19, 2004

Meeting Goals:

The goals of the FIS Second Annual National Meeting are to review progress made during the last year, to continue working on problem resolutions, and to set new goals to move the program forward in the coming year.

Meeting Objectives:

- Clarify the scope and objectives of FIS through reviewing the FIS roadmap
- Review accomplishments in FY04 and status of current projects
- Learn lessons from regional projects and Fisheries Information Networks (FINs)
- Brainstorm real business needs and key to success
- Achieve consensus on the directions and funding priorities of FIS
- Review PSG objectives, define new projects, milestones, and performance measures

Monday, August 16
Alaska Fisheries Science Center
Jim Traynor Room
Theme: The FIS Big Picture

- 1:00 p.m. **Meeting Registration, Coffee, Light Refreshments**
- 1:30 p.m. **Welcome To Attendees**
Doug DeMaster – Acting Office Director, NMFS Office of Science and Technology (15 min)
- 1:45 p.m. **Meeting Logistics**
Gary Shaw – IT Director, NMFS Alaska Fishery Science Center (10 min)
- 1:55 p.m. **Introduction, Meeting Agenda**
Tina Chang – FIS Project Manager, NMFS Office of Science and Technology, Science Information Division (20 min)
- 2:15 p.m. **Meeting Ground Rules**
Paul Anninos – Meeting Facilitator, ICF Consulting (20 min)

2:35 p.m. **FIS Roadmap Presentation**
John Witzig – Director, NMFS Northeast Regional Fishery Statistics Office
Key Elements of the FIS Roadmap Straw Man – FIS Roadmap Team (20 min)

2:55 p.m. **Break**

3:10 p.m. **Facilitated Discussion of FIS Roadmap**
Facilitator: Paul Anninos
General discussion followed by trigger questions and response (95 min)

4:45 p.m. **Quick Overview of Proceedings and Accomplishments**
Paul Anninos and Tina Chang

5:00 p.m. **Meeting Adjourns**

Tuesday, August 17
Alaska Fisheries Science Center
Jim Traynor Room
Theme: FY04 Progress

8:00 a.m. **Coffee and Light Refreshments**

8:30 a.m. **Welcome From NWFSC Director**
Usha Varanasi – Director, NMFS Northwest Fisheries Science Center (15 min)

8:45 a.m. **FIS Big Picture Day 1 Meeting Recap**
Paul Anninos and Tina Chang
Review previous day's FIS Big Picture discussion.

8:55 a.m. **FIS Program Directions**
Dave Van Voorhees – Chief, NMFS Office of Science and Technology, Fisheries Statistics Division (15 min)
FIS overall direction, out year budget, long term objectives, and program structure

9:10 a.m. **FIS FY04 Progress and Accomplishments**
Tina Chang – NMFS Office of Science and Technology, Science Information Division (15 min)
FIS FY04 project progress review and accomplishments.

9:25 a.m. **FY04 Project Demonstrations**
Karen Sender – NMFS Pacific Island Fisheries Science Center
InPort – The FIS Metadata Catalog

Susan Molina – NMFS Southeast Fisheries Science Center
National FIS Portal System Overview and Prototype Demonstration

10:05 a.m. **Break**

10:20 a.m. **FY04 Project Demonstrations (Cont.)**

Joan Palmer – NMFS Northeast Fisheries Science Center

Mike Cahall – Atlantic Coastal Cooperative Statistics Program (ACCSP)

Collaborative Development of the Standard Atlantic Fisheries Information System

Jennifer Cahalan, Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

Estimation of Angler Effort in Puget Sound, Washington State Using An Angler-based Phone Survey

11:00 a.m. **Discussion of FIS Progress and Example Projects**

Facilitator: Paul Anninos

Open and Structured Discussions of Presentations and Overall FIS Progress

12:00 p.m. **Working Lunch** (break as needed)

1:00 p.m. **Presentations From Partners** (20 min each)

Mike Cahall, ACCSP

ACCSP: Moving Beyond Commercial Catch and Effort

Dave Donaldson, Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission

The Fisheries Information Network (FIN) – A Regional Component of the Fisheries Information System (FIS)

Dave Colpo, Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission (PSMFC)

AKFIN

Will Daspit, PacFIN

30-minute Overview of the PacFIN System

Russell Porter, PSMFC

Recreational Fisheries Information Network (RecFIN)

Teresa Turk, NMFS Office of Science and Technology

Development and Implementation of FSCS (Fisheries Scientific Computing System)

3:10 p.m. **Break**

3:25 p.m. **Discussion of Partner Presentations**

Facilitator: Paul Anninos

Open and Structured discussions

4:45 p.m. **Day 2 Meeting Review and Wrap Up**

5:00 p.m. Meeting Adjourns

6:30 p.m. **FIS Dinner and Social** at the RAM Restaurant, University Village Plaza.
Walking group will leave the Silver Cloud Hotel at 6:15pm.

Wednesday, August 18
Alaska Fisheries Science Center
Jim Traynor Room

Theme: Business requirements and FY05 Planning

8:00 a.m. **Warm up – Coffee and Tea**

8:30 a.m. **Day Two Meeting Recap**
Paul Anninos, Facilitator
Quick recap of previous day's meeting (5 min)

8:35 a.m. **FIS Business Presentations (20 min each):**

Al Coan and Ken Wallace, NMFS Southwest Fisheries Science Center
Southwest Fisheries Science Center (SWFSC) Advantages of FIS

Gail Smith – Alaska Department of Fish and Game
Dave Ackley – NMFS Alaska Regional Office
Cooperative Interagency Electronic Fishery Information Collection in Alaska

Tom Gleason – NMFS Office of Science and Technology
DQA – Integrating the Data Quality Act into FIS Planning

Mary Furuness, NMFS Alaska Regional Office
Fisheries Management from the Alaska Perspective

9:55 a.m. Break

10:10 a.m. **FIS Business Presentations continued**

Martin Loefflad – NMFS Alaska Fisheries Science Center
The Alaska Observer Program

Steve Koplin – NMFS Office of Science and Technology Fisheries Statistics
Division
FIS: A National Perspective

Galen Tromble – Division Chief, NMFS Office of Sustainable Fisheries,
Domestic Fisheries Division
The Business Purpose of FIS (1 hour)

11:50 a.m. Working Lunch (break as needed)

1:00 p.m. Discussion of Morning Presentations
Facilitator: Paul Anninos
Open and Structured Discussions of Key Business Drivers

2:45 p.m. Break

3:00 p.m. FY05 Proposal Evaluation Process and Scores
Tina Chang
Presentation of Proposal Evaluation Process (15 min)

3:15 p.m. Discussion of Proposal Evaluation Process
Facilitator: Paul Anninos
Structured discussion within breakout groups

4:45 p.m. Break Out Session Report

5:00 p.m. Meeting Wrap Up – Day 3 Quick Review

5:10 p.m. Meeting Adjourns

Thursday, August 19
Alaska Fisheries Science Center
Theme: Professional Specialty Group (PSG) Work Group Sessions

8:00 a.m. Coffee and Light Refreshments

8:30 a.m. FY04 Project Plan Summary
Tina Chang
A summary of FY04 Projects will be presented. Individuals who submitted project plans will be available to answer specific questions.

8:45 a.m. PSG activity reports (15 min each)
System Design and Integration – Joan Palmer, Tina Chang
Permits/Participant Reporting System – Steve Koplin, John Bishop
Reconciliation of Parallel Reporting Systems – John Poffenberger, Janet Pappas
Electronic Reporting and Other Data Collection Improvements – Doug Turnbull, Ken Ortiz (acting for Roland Tanner)
Economic Data Management – Rita Curtis, Steve Freese

10:00 a.m. Break

- 10:15 a.m. **General Discussion of PSG Concept**
Facilitator: Paul Anninos
Discussion session on the effectiveness of the PSG concept.
- 11:45 a.m. **Lunch (in house)**
- 12:45 p.m. **Guidelines for PSG Working Sessions**
- Following the directions set forth in the FIS Roadmap, review submitted FY05 proposal abstracts and brainstorm additional ideas, reconcile conflicts and overlaps, and set priorities. Once priority projects have been identified, begin sketching out project goals, milestones, and major deliverables.
 - Continue working on FY04 project tasks associated with your PSG.
- 1:00 p.m. **PSG Working Sessions**
A separate room will be provided for each PSG.
- 3:30 p.m. **PSG Working Session Reports**
A representative from each PSG will summarize the group's discussions and action items (10 minutes each)
- 4:20 p.m. **Evaluation of the Second Annual Meeting**
Paul Anninos
Round robin recording of results plus survey
- 4:40 p.m. **Meeting Conclusion**
Tina Chang, Dave Van Voorhees
Farewell and Thanks
- 4:45 p.m. **Meeting Adjourns**
- 6:30 p.m. **No host evening event: Locks Cruise.** See section 12 in your meeting binders for more information and directions. A caravan will leave the Silver Cloud Hotel at 5:45 p.m.

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